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REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 9-11, 21, and 22 have been deleted. Claims 3-8 and 12-20 remain in the application.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 2, 9-11, 21, and 22 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. The Examiner has objected to claims 3-8 and 12-20, but has indicated that these claims would be allowable if written in independent form.

Claims 1, 2, 9-11, 21, and 22 have been deleted. Claims 3, 12, 13, and 16 have been rewritten in independent form so as to include all of the limitations of the base claim 1, as suggested by the Examiner.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the claims at present on file and as amended herein are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and action to this end is respectfully requested.

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